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1. AS INDICATED IN PARA 5 OF REFTEL FOLLOWING LIST OF TOPICS/QUESTIONS RECEIVED FROM MR. HUIGENS, SECRETARY WEU COMMITTEE.

2. FOR DOD REFERENCE MILITARY SPACE APPLICATIONS

A. WHAT ARE THE PRESENT CAPABILITIES OF OBSERVATION SATELLITES FOR

(1) VERIFICATION OF WITHDRAWALS OF TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT FROM SPECIFIED AREAS?

(2) VERIFICATION OF RESPECT OF ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENTS?

(3) EARLY WARNING OF ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENTS?

B. HOW IS EUROPEAN-AMERICAN COLLABORATION ORGANIZED IN THIS FIELD? IS IT CARRIED OUT IN THE NATO FRAMEWORK?

C. HAVE EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS ACCESS TO INFORMATION COLLECTED BY SATELLITES OR DO THEY MERELY RECEIVE INFORM-
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D. WHAT ARRANGEMENTS EXIST FOR COLLABORATION WITH EUROPEAN MILITARY SATELLITE SYSTEMS - FOR INSTANCE, IN METEOROLOGY, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.?

E. WHY IS THE AIR FORCE INTERESTED IN THE SPACE TUG?

F. WHAT ARE THE TASKS OF ITS SPACE AND MISSILES SYSTEMS ORGANIZATION?

G. WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MILITARY AND CIVIL METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE SYSTEMS IN THE UNITED STATES?

H. WHAT TASKS HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO MILITARY REMOTELY PILOTED VEHICLES?

I. COULD THE LASER BE USED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES AS AN OPTICAL RADAR OPERATING FROM SATELLITES TO MEASURE RANGE, ILLUMINATE THE GROUND FOR AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND FOR MISSILE GUIDANCE?

J. WHAT ARE THE LIMITATIONS OF RECONNAISSANCE FROM SPACE?

K. HOW ARE SATELLITES USED FOR SUPERVISING APPLICATION OF THE TREATY BANNING NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS IN THE ATMOSPHERE AND IN OUTER SPACE?

3. FOR STATE DEPARTMENT

A. WHAT PROGRESS IS BEING MADE BY THE UNITED NATIONS SPACE COMMITTEES ON: DIRECT BROADCAST SATELLITES; SPACE LAW; EARTH RESOURCES SURVEY TECHNIQUES; THE DRAFT REGISTRATION TREATY; THE DRAFT MOON TREATY?

B. WHAT ROLE SHOULD THE UNITED NATIONS PLAY IN SPACE? WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE EFFECT ON THE GREEK-TURKISH CONFLICT, FOR INSTANCE, IF THE UNITED NATIONS HAD HAD ITS OWN RECONNAISSANCE SATELLITE?

C. WHICH COUNTRIES HAVE SIGNED THE INTELSAT AGREEMENT WHICH CAME INTO FORCE ON 12 FEBRUARY 1973? ARE THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ALSO LIKELY TO ADHERE?

D. HOW IS COMSAT DEVELOPING? WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER 1979?

E. WHAT IS THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S RELATIONSHIP WITH NASA?

F. HOW IS THE LAUNCH ASSISTANCE POLICY DEVELOPING?
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G. CAN COMPARATIVE INFORMATION BE GIVEN ON COOPERATION WITH: JAPAN, THE SOVIET UNION, EUROPE, LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES?
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